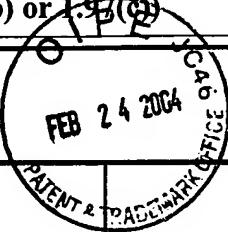


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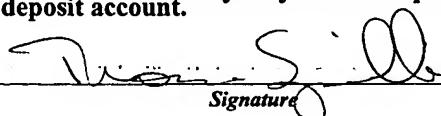
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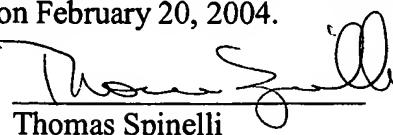
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1. U.S. Patent No. 5,353,807, dated October 11, 1994, issued to DeMarco;
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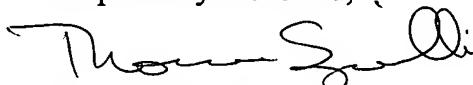
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Applicants are submitting copies references 2-4. Reference 1 is not being submitted herewith, as copies of U.S. patents are no longer required per the waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) in effect as of June 30, 2003. The relevance of references 3 and 4 has been described in the specification.

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